

SENATE BILL 4053

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17,
relative to the court of the judiciary.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17, Chapter 5, Part 3, is amended by
adding a new section thereto:

§ 17-5-315.

(a) All courtrooms within the state of Tennessee in which court is held shall have
a conspicuous notice posted immediately outside the courtroom advising litigants of the
following:

There exists the Tennessee Court of the Judiciary that provides an
orderly and efficient method for making inquiry into the physical, mental or moral
fitness of any Tennessee judge, whether the judge committed judicial
misconduct, and whether the judge committed any act calculated to reflect
unfavorably upon the judiciary of the state. The Tennessee Court of the
Judiciary also provides a process by which appropriate sanctions may be
imposed against a judge. If you wish to file a complaint, you may obtain a
complaint from the clerk's office or from the webpage of the Administrative Office
of the Courts. By law, all complaints filed with the Court of the Judiciary are
confidential and privileged during the preliminary investigation stage.

(b) It is the duty of the administrative office of the courts to post the webpage
outside the courtroom along with the notice and to otherwise effectuate the purpose of
this act.

SECTION 2. For purposes of the administrative office of the courts preparing the notice described in Section 1 of this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.